

DATE: November 20, 2008

SUBJECT: Temporary Authorization of New Institutions under the
Postsecondary Authorization Act

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Temporary Authorization

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Commission, under the Postsecondary Authorization Act, has the “power and duty” to act upon applications for authorization to operate an educational institution in the state. For the institutions listed below, applications have been reviewed, site visits have been performed, and staff has determined that all necessary documentation and bonds have been secured. The Committee on Postsecondary Educational Institutions met on October 16, 2008 and endorsed staff recommendations for Temporary Authorization of these institutions.

A. Nashville Travel School

Nashville, TN

The Nashville Travel School is located at 2107 Murfreesboro Road in Nashville, Tennessee. The institution is a for-profit corporation.

The institution will offer one program:

1. **The Certificate of Completion in Professional Travel Agent Training Program** is designed to teach students every aspect of the travel industry to include: cash flow, suppliers, consolidators, agents, wholesalers, and national and state tourism bureaus. Additionally, students will learn the different regulatory agencies within the industry; geography; the electronic airline reservation system; and proficiency in navigating the latest travel industry websites.

Program:	Professional Travel Agent Training
Credential Awarded:	Certificate of Completion
Length of Program:	120 contact hours (1.25 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

B. Welding 101 LLC

Lebanon, TN

Welding 101, LLC. is located at 218 South Maple Street in Lebanon, Tennessee. The institution is a limited liability corporation.

The institution will offer one program.

1. **The Certificate of Completion in Entry Welder Level 1 Program** is designed to prepare students to be employable in today's welding job market. The program establishes the minimum requirements for qualification and registration as a Schools Excelling Through National Skills Standards Education (SENSE) Program level 1 Entry Welder with the American Welding Society. This standard specifies practical knowledge and performance tests that require a minimum level of reading, computational and manual skills needed. All individuals that complete this program and pass the AWS certification test, will be listed in the AWS National Registry of SENSE Program Welders.

Program: Entry Level Welder Level 1
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 352 contact hours (7 months)

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.

C. YWCA of Greater Memphis

Memphis, TN

YWCA of Greater Memphis is located at 1044 Mississippi Blvd., in Memphis, Tennessee. The institution is a not-for-profit corporation.

The institution will offer three programs:

1. **The Computer Repair Technician with A+ Certification Program** is designed to teach students basic electronic concepts needed to troubleshoot and repair all aspects of personal computers. Additionally, students will develop the following skills: hardware assembly and setup, installation of hard drives, interface cards, monitors, keyboards, and modems. Upon completion, students are eligible to take the A+ Certification test.

Program: Computer Repair Technician with A+ Certification
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 72 contact hours (2.25 months)

2. **The Help Desk Support and Network Cabling Technician Program** is designed to teach students to conduct site surveys and to test and troubleshoot copper-based cabling systems which are the basis for cable television and satellite communication systems. Additionally, students will learn installation of burglar alarms, fire alarms, camera security, and PC network and router configuration.

Program: Help Desk Support and Network Cabling Technician
Credential Awarded: Certificate of Completion
Length of Program: 72 contact hours (2.25 months)

3. **The Preparatory/Pre-apprenticeship High Voltage Technician Program** is designed to teach students the following: basic wiring, electric and electromagnetic field theory, AC and DC voltages, high voltage transformers, circuit breakers, surge arresters, and electrical vocabulary and symbols. Additionally, students learn electrical breakdown in gases, overvoltages, testing

procedures, insulation coordination, measurement transformers, and grounding in high voltage transmission systems.

Program: **Preparatory/Pre-apprenticeship High Voltage Technician**
Credential Awarded: **Certificate of Completion**
Length of Program: **72 contact hours (2.25 months)**

The institution does not participate in Title IV funding.